

## **RESOLUTION 2-07: To Establish a Task Force On Stewardship District Resources**

### **Referencing Overture 2-06**

WHEREAS, it is our responsibility as God's people to be good stewards of the gifts and resources our Lord has given us, and

WHEREAS, the Northern Illinois District of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod has seen declines in both the number of congregations and in total membership in recent decades, and

WHEREAS, demographic data suggests that this decline will continue for some time, and

WHEREAS, it is our responsibility to plan for the future, and

WHEREAS, it is often helpful to have individuals examine organizational structure who are not part of that structure, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the new board of directors establish a Task Force to examine stewardship of District resources, and be it further

RESOLVED, that said Task Force be composed of three members of the Board of Directors, three laypersons not on the Board of Directors with experience and expertise in large organizations and management, and three parish pastors and three Commissioned workers, both with extensive familiarity with the District that do not hold office in the District, and be it further

RESOLVED, that among the questions the Task Force should examine but not be limited to are the following:

1. The need for a full time or part time District President
2. Ways in which volunteers and circuit visitors may be utilized to carry out the functions currently done by District staff.
3. The stewardship of maintaining the current District Office Building.
4. The potential partnership in sharing resources with neighboring districts and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Task Force shall issue a report to be communicated throughout the District at least one year prior to the next District Convention, and be it finally

RESOLVED, that the Task Force recommendations be presented to the Board of Directors for any actions the Board deems appropriate."

Action: Adopted